any time receive copies of the Farr Passs, will please understand that ey are sent simply as samples, in thehop that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscrip-

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A nice lot of sweet potatoes at

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Car load flour to arrive this week, Imperial and Rose of Kansas at JAS, TAYLOR & BRO.

Remember that we have moved our stock of groceries to the old rock building form-erly occupied by C. C. Weems. JAB. TAYLOR & BRO.

Car load of seed and eating potatoes Car load of setc., at onions, beans, etc., at WM. Giesen's, Agt.

Car flour to arrive next week.

TAYLOR & THOMAS. Bring your butter to us, we are out.

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Come down with the cash and down com the prices of groceries at McAllister's, Single copies of the FREE PRESS for sale

at the office, also at the book store of Russell & Ellison, five cents a copy. SINGLE copies of the Daily St. Louis Re-

Sun, Chicago News, etc., may be had at this Five hundred cords wood for sale at Fred

C. Brown's wood yard. Office at Livery Stable. Call and leave your orders for For sale, a copy of the American Agricul-

turist, for the current year. Will be sent from the office of publication to any address. Inquire at this office.

The old established grocery house of M. Hinzie continues to commend itself to a dis-

eggs, chickens, etc., in exchange for gro-ceries. M. Hinzie. Carload of the justly celebrated Moline Wagons received and offered for sale at re-

asonable prices and terms WM. GrESEN, Agent. Notice.

James Taylor & Bro have moved their stock of groceries to the rock building formerly occupied by Mr. Weems.

Roarding.

To persons wishing boarding, whether in town or country, we can commend the house of Mrs. Souter, near the Freight Depot. Her long and successful experience in the business is the best guaranty of satisfaction to her patrons.

Largest, Best and Cheapest.

Thus in brief may be characterized the new stock of goods just received and receiving by J. V. Hutchins, at his old stand. In he line of domestics and prints he has the largest stock ever brought to this place. Fine bleached domestic at ten cents, prints 20 yards for \$1, lawns the same. The est and finest lot of hats in the market. Large stock of ready made clothing, shirts, New stock of the celebrated Zeigler shoes—beyond all comparison the best. Don't fail to call and examine before pur-

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Legal Card.

law in civil matters in Hays county, Texas. crowded and unsatisfactory condition, and pairing court house. Office in Wood's new building, up stairs, San Marcos. Oct. 25-ly.

BABBIT METAL way below New York cost at this Office.

The Public Free School Question. We invite general attention to the call

ublished elsewhere in our columns, issued by Mayor Cock, upon the petition of a large number of our citizens, for an election to determine whether or not the corporate authorities, (or trustees elected for that purpose authorities authorities, (or trustees elected for that purpose authorities author pose, as the law may be found to provide,) shall acquire exclusive control of all the public free schools within our corporate only "vanity and vexation of spirit." All limits. It was contemplated by the peti-tioners that the election would be called the same day of the regular election for corpo-ration officers, Tuesday April 7th. This it was thought would insure a full vote, some-thing which ought to be desirable to all concerned, besides saving the trouble and expense of another election. But for some reason the Mayor declined to call the school FLE. election for that day, but as will be seen has

ed at the regular session of the legislature held in the winter and spring of 1879. The portion necessary to our present purpose we

An act to further regulate and render more efficient the maintenance and manage-ment of the public free schools and institu-tions of learning in cities and towns in this

of the State of Texas, That any town in this state may acquire the exclusive control of the public free schools within its limits. Sec. 2. The mayor of said city or town shall, upon the written application of not less than fifty of the quatified electors of such city or town, order within twenty days of such application, an election by the qual-ified electors of such city or town, to be con-

ducted as other municipal elections, to de-cide by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors of such city or town at such election, whether such city or town shall acquire the exclusive control of any or all of city or town.

The rest of the act is devoted to providing for the election of trustees, if asked for, declaring their duties etc. We are told there is another act which gives the town council authority to appoint trustees, but this, if so, is rather immaterial.

change about taxation, is irrelevant to the isso as to defeat the movement.

length into a discussion of this question, shall therefore only present briefly some of summer. the leading reasons for the proposed change, with fair minded people.

school pupils and funds among other school -the main share going to Coronal Institute by a famous bull in New York. -was adopted, as everybody knows, as a mere temporary expedient. It was never intended to establish a precedent in thus superseding the free school proper and diverting its funds to a denominational school. If excusable then, there is no longer any excuse for it. The free schools can no longer be properly taught on the present plan.

Again, San Marcos is not what it was twenty, or even ten years ago. Its populacerning public. It possesses solid merits tion has largely increased, and bids fair in a and is run by solid men. Like good wine it few years to be double what it is at present. now have the contract for teaching our free Wanted any quantity of country butter ers of the country and open alike to the children of all classes and denominations of our people. And from the time we start these schools on an independent basis, they will attract good people to settle here among us as no other one thing could do. We re-

> cos as really involved in this change. Lastly and if possible yet more conclu the trustees of the Institute estimate that on the present plan the tuition of the free school pupils costs about twice as much as it would if separately and independently conducted. It follows of course that said pupils could receive school instruction twice as long on the latter plan as on the former, and we will add that in the nature of things the teaching could not but be much better and

their estimate ought to settle the question We sometimes hear it said that by the proposed change some would lose their prefer to send elsewhere. Such however would lose only by their own option-the

more satisfactory. These gentlemen ought

there are two sides to that question. It is argued by some that the prop change may prove disastrous to Coronal Institute, and that its advocates are unfriendto public nuisances in many quarters. In our secular exchanges we find many items that should be a secular exchanges we find many items this statement, and we repel the latter, at that show this. In Bordentown the common council have passed an ordinance restricting the hours of attendance for school-children and the sale of intoxicating liquors. A bill dist church, so strong in numbers, wealth not come off beause deputy M ning was unable to be present. providing that males and females shall not be allowed to use or compy the floor of any enstain its denominational schools, and the sustain its denominational schools, and the other place, the name of which we have not preserved, the board of education gave no not adequately sustained. We think the plaintiff recovered \$4631.66 instead of the that the attendance of any mobile are not adequately sustained. tice that the artendance of any public school Institute would take a higher rank if not \$1100.66 as our types got it. tred squivalent to resignation.—New York restricted so much to primary teaching. Fresh opsters every Friday. Our free school pupils might then naturally

go to it to complete their educational course. But at all events it should be un-derstood at once and forever, that Coronal Lections have a long and some a Institute has no just claim on our publi-

election for that day, but as will be seen has fixed on Monday the 30th inst., as the day for taking said vote.

The law authorizing this action was passed at the regular session of the legislature and at the regular session of the legislature.

Mr. I. H. Julian visited our town on Monday. He was pricing property, and it is supposed intends removing the Frank Pares to this place. In that case what would become of poor bleeding San Marcos?

The above is the substance of an item sent by McLemore last week to the San Antonio Times. That we were at Kyle and priced property there (with reference to a trade we had in view) is true; the rest was wholly manufactured and the writer knew had no foundation in fact. We regret that our previous kind efforts for the reformation of this erring youth have all been thrown away, and that his disposition to avoid the truth is still as strong as ever. What a humiliating spectacle, an able-bodied young man with no higher ambition than to dis seminate idle village gossip, and add to and embellish it, without any conscientious scruples or sense of shame.

We are surprised at his closing inquiry. The obvious answer is that in case of our removal, there might be a field for him to the public free schools and institutions of learning within its limits, and whether the same shall be under the control of the board ised our people last season. Mr. Jeff Travis make her home here, which we learn is to of trustees as hereinafter mentioned, or of we believe wants a partner in the printing the council or board of aldermen of such and newspaper business, and our highly imaginative friend of Kyle might obtain the place. The combination would surely "astonish the natives." Jeff and Jeff-that will

The following interesting items were fur nished us by a friend, to whom we return The sole object now contemplated is to take our best thanks. If others who hear of the midst of our multifarious duties we find

may be found to be warranted by their best Mr. Sanders, of Galveston, has been here interests and those of the community. All for several days with a view of locating if the talk on the part of the opponents of the he can find property at reasonable prices. Dr. W. F. Binnt, of Galveston, has also sue and only intended to create prejudice been here. He proposes to go into stockraising, but will probably settle near Austin. Mr. J. P. Russell, of Galveston, will be here this month some time, and expects to nor, in fact, do we think it necessary. We locate his family here for the spring and

Mr. Ed. Hope, of Galveston, a former which we think will be found conclusive resident of this place, writes that he will make San Marcos a lengthy visit soon. The present plan of apportioning the free Mr. E. S. Fletcher has brought from Gal-

eston, a thoroughbred Jersey bull-sired In a newspaper sketch of Col. Jackman,

the new U S. Marshal, (appointed since our last) he is stated to be exempt from three low and pernicious habits. We quote: Colonel Jackman does not smoke, chew drink, and will no doubt, if confirmed, and there is no doubt of that, make an effleient officer and a worthy successor to the

amented Hal Gosling.

Jackman resembles Gosling in his ardent temperament, and while differing politically, there were many noble traits common to both; but if the above statement be true. (and we do not doubt it in the least), in the points named the former has the advanage. Would that we had more public men, as well as private citizens, of whom the same could be said. Why should not every man and boy emulate these traits of the true gentleman?

Commissioners Burleson and Schmitt called on us last week to ask us to state that the report that the roof of the court house was about to cave in, is without foundation. They had it inspected by competent work. men, who found it perfect as at first. Said Commissioners said the injurious report had gone abroad throughout the county, and

"Give me a ticket for H-l," remarked a pert young man to ticket agent Ranson, last night, and unwittingly, the accommodating dispenser of tickets gave him one to San Marcos, which he paid for and placed in his hat, with the satisfied air of a man who had gotten what he asked for.

The above is a sample of one of McLenore's chaste and interesting items of Kyle news, contributed to various papers, which we clip from the San Antonio Times. When at Kyle the other day we were told that some of the citizens were considering the question of raising a bonus for that remarkable young man, as a reward for his invaluable literary services to the town. If so, we sincerely trust it was not on account of such efforts as the above. We do not regard its publication as creditable to the pa

per which gave place to it. Our attention has been called to two important errors in our report of Commissioners' Court last week. The allowance to allowance to Northeraft of \$110 for repairing clerk's office also covered charge for re-

Although scarcely apparent on the surface, we suspect there is yet some money in this part of the world. By the way, all who have any about their clothes, which they know belongs to the Paus Paus office, are respectfully solicited to "fork over."

Court adjourned on Saturday. The hab eus corpus case of Yearger's accomplices did not come off beause deputy Marshal Man-

J. S. Cruz of Wimberley made us a pleas

Jo. Earnest is at home from his ranch is

to Presidio county.

We had a pleasant call from Mr. Wal-dron, representing the San Antonio Express, last week.

Young Mr. Chastain, of Iowa, who was ere some time since on a visit, has return-

Blanco, died on Monday evening, after a lingering illness. Dr. Cock is at home. We learn he has eft his location in Fayette county for an in-

Mr. McClellan, late of Paris, Texas, i prospecting for the purchase of business and dwelling places in our town. Mr. Noyes, said to have once been a

large circus proprietor, is running a very small branch of the show business at this Mrs. Day left on Monday evening for visit to her old home, (Florida), via New Orleans. We wish the good lady a pleasant sojourn abroad and a safe return home.

We learn that W. Goodrich Jones will return here soon, and it is thought will in-augurate some new enterprise at the San Marcos water power, in which he retains an

We met this week one of our subscribers at Wimberley, who said only one copy of last week's Free Press reached that office. We cannot understand this, for we know we mailed the package as usual.

Quite a number of our citizens have gone to the Exposition, among them Mr. and Mrs. Glover and a part of their family, Mr. and Mrs. McAllister, Miss Annie Haymes, etc. Bascom Lvell has gone west to marry

The new street through Dr. Woods's addition is becoming quite attractive. Mr. Borden is having a new cottage built, Mrs. Poole is occupying her handsome home, and Mr. Pate will soon have one for

nimself under way. We met our friend Cliett last week in town, He appeared to have just come in on the Blanco road, for he asked us to say to whom it might concern that he found it a 'bad row for stumps," and to suggest their removal by those interested.

Rival daily papers are contending briskly for the supremacy in our town, and their rival local reporters are going for all the infinitesimal morsels of village gossip, a la McLemore. A mau can scarcely go out or in anywhere without having the important fact published at San Antonio or Austin.

We lately complimented the Greenville Banner as a fine specimen of a Texas country paper. Mr. Harris our freight depot agent, has since handed us a copy of the Greenville Herald, conducted by a brother f his, which is of the same size and style of the Banner. We learn there is still an other paper there. That must be a first lass region for supporting newspapers.

We were shown recently by Mr. Code, and should have noticed last week, a large and hand-some painting of the San Marcos mills and water power. The artist is our townsman Mr. Garth, and the work does im credit. Mr. Code informs us that he has sent it to Mr. Jones, sen., at New eans, that people there may get some idea of the situation. A good idea.

We were shown the other day the model of a self-cleaning plow, the invention of our ownsman, Allen Jones, and for which he has applied for a patent. It is intended to neet what has heretofore been regarded as an insuperable difficulty with plows in our peculiar soil, and if it works as is expected and we don't see why it should notmust prove something of a bonanza to the inventor. For the general good as well as his, we hope it may be found to "fill the

See in our columns this week the announcement of T. M. Prince, for re-election to the office of Town Marshal. Mr. Prince has held the office for several terms, and our impression is has made a generally acceptable

The court house yard is now "in chains," vet we have not heard of any of its occupants being deprived of their liberty. No scarcity of hitching places any more.

Corn planted in February is up nicely, demonstrating that the entire crop ought then to have been put in the ground.

CURE FOR CHICKEN CHOLERA. - A new cure for chicken cholera is that manufactured by G. Turquand & Co., San Antonio. It is for sale at White's Saddle and Harness Shop in this place. Try it.

Rev. A. H. Sutherland sends to the Gal veston Christian Advocate a copy of the sked us to correct it, which we do with verses, "De Massa of de Sheepfol," which were copied into the FREE PRESS of Feb. 26th, and the editor of the Advocate states that their author is Miss Sally Pratt, author of "Cape Cod Folks."

The mountain grass is now better than the prairie, and pasturage is now pretty

Marriage Licenses.

J. W. Rice to Miss A. W. McMahon. James B. Lyell to Miss Willie Thompson A. J. Allen to Emma Hall. W. E. Burleson to Miss Anna M. Rogers Important.

Knights of Honor-Business of impor tance, that demand our attention at once, forces me to call a meeting of the Lodge. We want every member present on next Friday night. Meet at the office of O. T. Brown, over Green's Bank.
W. C. Duogen,

Public Debate.

There will be a public debate at Science Hall on Friday eve., March 27, 1885. All are invited to attend. An extraordinary discussion is expected, chiefly on account of the position taken by the gentlemen on the negative who have heretofore been carnest perance workers. Question: Resolved. That it is wrong to buy, sell, manufacture or use as a beverage, intoxicating liquors.

Affirmed by O. L. Whipple, J. L. Andrews and Dr. Hillyer. Denied by S. Atkins and W. W. Andrews.

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Town Marshal. We are acthorized to announce J. M. TURNER, as a candidate for the office of Town Mar

There were good gentle rains on Saturday and Sunday, and the crop prospects are first

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west prices and best terms. Transfers of Real Estate From our last report to the 18th inst. E. McGonigal to Edwin Sunderland part . Hinton survey \$500. N. J. Franks to Louise and Martha Franks

87 acres, Z. Hinton survey, \$500. W. P. Holmes and wife to E. A. Vaughn lot 11 in block 4 Kyle, \$400 List of letters remaining in the Post Office t San Marcos Texas for the week ending March 16, 1885 :

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Head, Mrs. Eliza Mitchell, Mrs. Brinie Uecker, Mary Williamson, James Sr. Persons calling for above letters please say advertised, giving date. ALBERT HEATON, P. M.

THE ECLECTIC for March presents an interesting array of articles, light and serious, and is well adapted to suit a variety of tastes. "From Siberia to Switzerland," by tastes. "From Siberia to Switzerland," by William Westall, sketches in a most interest ing way adventures of an escape from Siberia, and claims to be the actual experience of a prominent Nibilist. Principal Tulloch's study of the Spiritual Influence of Coleridge is a very suggestive paper, and Max Muller on "The Savage" will be both in-structive and entertaining. The story of "Picture" is both unique and powerful. Other contributions of special interest are "Della Crusca and Anna Matilda" (a history "Della Crusca and Anna Mattida" a history of a curious literary episode) "Charles Dickens at Home," by his eldest Daughter, "Prince Bismarck's Character," "Notes on Persian Art," "How Insects Breathe," and "Go the Ant," the latter a striking popular science-paper. The usual variety of Literary Notes, Foreign Literary Notes, and Miscellany, round out a very attractive number.

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DR. J. H. COMBS,



the sense of the people, for whose benefit matters of interest would imitate his exthey were intended, as to whether or not the ample, and write them up for us, or give us town shall acquire exclusive control of the the substance, it would of course add to the public free schools; no reference to any oth- interest of the home paper, and also tend r present existing institutions of learning to the progress of our town. We wish our was made or intended to be made in the pe- friends would act upon this auggestion. In tition. Nothing whatever is now contemplated but to take control of the schools. it impossible to keep posted as to all that is Their further management will be a matter of transpiring around us. The following are future action exclusively, and only what the items first referred to:

We have neither time nor space to go at

It is obvious, therefore, the schools which school pupils, and which are already overgrowded, cannot possibly continue to do so without a sacrifice of the free school system and its best interests. If we were to attempt to go on the present plan 5 or 10 years longer we should still have no free school system in harmony with the system of the State generally, whereas if we set it up on its own proper basis now, by that time we shall have a fine system of graded schools in edifices of their own, taught by the best teach-

gard the steady future growth of San Mar. sively, we are credibly informed that two of

to know whereof they speak, and if correct, share of the school fund, because they free schools being open to them. But on the other hand there may be, and in fact the Sheriff for 3 months guard at jail should we know are others who feel constrained to have been \$105 instead of \$305; and the keep their children away from the schools ated themselves together for the practice of as at present conducted on account of their they too lose their share of the fund. So

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